



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
SHIN MUTO) Examiner: K. Lim
Application No.: 09/625,842) Group Art Unit: 2153
Filed: July 26, 2000)
For: SYSTEM FOR SEARCHING)
FOR APPARATUS CONNECTED)
TO NETWORK AND APPARATUS)
EMPLOYED BY SAME SYSTEM,)
AND CONTROL METHOD)
THEREFOR : June 9, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the document listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the document listed is enclosed.

U.S. Publication No. 2003/0115199

Applicant also respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>	<u>DOCKET NO.</u>
09/570,407	May 12, 2000	2173	03500.014467.
09/576,245	May 24, 2000	2172	03500.014506.
09/612,565	July 7, 2000	2143	03500.014627.
09/612,946	July 10, 2000	2153	03500.014625.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the application specification, claims and drawings for each of the foregoing U.S. Applications is enclosed.

In as much as this Information Disclosure Statement accompanies a Request For Continued Examination (RCE), which has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that the Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next communication.

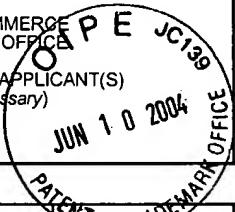
Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	2003/0115199	06/19/03	Ochiai et al.	707	10	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

U.S. Application No. 09/570,407, filed May 12, 2000.**U.S. Application No. 09/576,245, filed May 24, 2000.****U.S. Application No. 09/612,565, filed July 7, 2000.****U.S. Application No. 09/612,946, filed July 10, 2000.**

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